

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the instant application is respectfully requested. The present amendment is responsive to the Office Action of November 15, 2005, in which claims 1-28 are presently pending. Of those, claims 1, 4-7 and 10-12 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over prior art Figure 1 of the application, in view of U.S. Patent 6,064,262 to Wang. Claims 2, 3, 8, 9, 13 and 14 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Finally, claims 15-28 have been allowed. For the following reasons, it is respectfully submitted that the application is now in condition for allowance.

Claims 15 and 22 have been amended as set forth above in order to correct the informalities noted by the Examiner on page 2 of the Office Action. That is, the term "desired common-mode output voltage" is changed to --reference voltage--. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the objections thereto be withdrawn.

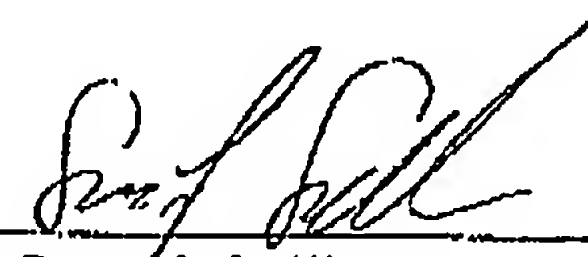
With regard to indicated allowable subject matter, claim 1 has been amended so as to incorporate the elements of cancelled claim 2 therein. Likewise, claim 7 has been amended so as to incorporate the elements of cancelled claim 8 therein. As such, the remaining claims dependent therefrom have also been placed in condition for allowance. Lastly, claims 1, 9, 13 and 14 are amended to change the dependencies thereof.

For the above stated reasons, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is now in condition for allowance. No new matter has been entered and no additional fees are believed to be required. However, if any fees are due with respect to this Amendment, please charge them to Deposit Account No. 09-0458 maintained by Applicants' attorneys.

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